





# MINORITY TO PLAN A CAMPAIGN.

(Special to The Tribune.)

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 14.—Although the convention passed by this morning without any change in the Senatorial vote, it is known that there would have been a break but for the conference held early this morning before either branch of the Legislature came to order.

The intention was to have a diversion of the strength to Bulla. Among the votes that would have gone to him was Senator Rowell, who is now voting for Bard.

Those who knew of the plan, though, decided to hold changes for at least twenty-four hours longer, so that in the meantime some concerted plan of action could be arranged.

With that object in view about a dozen Senators met before the session was called to order.

None of them have heretofore voted for either Grant or Burns, movement being, therefore, made in the interests of outside candidates.

It was occasioned by all this talk of caucus where after each ballot the lowest candidate will be dropped, for outsiders realize that all their hopes will go glimmering if that plan is put into effect.

The conference did not last long, and the only thing decided on was not to make any changes at today's convention.

An adjournment was taken until 4 o'clock this afternoon, at which time all interested will meet and talk over the situation.

No plan has yet been formulated, but it has been suggested that all of these minority candidates combine their strength and then take turns to see what they can do with it.

For instance, if the total minority vote is given to Bulla he will be given the opportunity to see if he can take enough votes away from Burns and Grant to be elected.

If Bulla fails then Barnes will be given the chance and so on with the others.

The movement is significant because it shows that every one is dissatisfied with the present conditions.

It can lead but in one direction and that is to the caucus towards which everything is now steadily drifting.

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# BLIGHTED BY THE BLIZZARD.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 14.—Telegraphic communication to Florida has been kept up spasmodically only the two past days, all wires being down south of Jacksonville. The Associated Press today secured a wire to Pensacola for a few minutes, and ascertained that the coldest weather ever known had just passed over the northern part of Florida. At De Funiak Springs it was 5 above at noon today. All communication east and south of this point is also interrupted, and it is impossible to learn the exact damage done to fruit and vegetables.

All the telegrams from Florida are sent by train to the south. Savannah today received word from Jacksonville by train that the whole State of Florida was suffering the worst blizzard ever known. Its consequences cannot be ascertained for twenty-four hours, but the damage to oranges is believed to have been widespread.

A cold wave visited Florida last week before the blizzard came. Everything in the way of fruit and vegetables in the vicinity of Jacksonville was killed last night, and if the weather man's prediction for last night came true, the loss to pineapples and oranges in the southern part of the State is enormous.

In Atlanta the cold wave has passed, and the temperature shows a rise of nearly 50 degrees from the severe weather of yesterday. Reports of severe weather continue to come from various points and tell of unheard-of temperatures and great suffering.

Through Georgia the early vegetables have been killed and the peach crop and other fruits almost entirely destroyed.

# UNABLE TO CARE FOR HER INJURED SON.

Peter M. Saul, brother of James Saul, the young man who was found dead in a stall of his father's barn at 808 East Sixteenth street a few days ago, says injustice has been done his mother by statements attributed to her when the condition of her son was brought to her attention at her home by Messrs. McDonald and La Rue, who found the young man in a helpless state.

Mr. Saul says that his mother is a confirmed invalid and that she received a severe shock when his brother's condition was brought to her knowledge. He denies that she refused to allow the injured man to enter her home, but that when she ascertained that he was injured she requested the two friends of the deceased to take him to the Receiving Hospital. He says his mother declared that she could not at-

# MONEY WILL BE RETURNED.

Chief Fletcher is anxious to ascertain the whereabouts of several little persons who, when the idea was being discussed of having a new Maine built in place of the battleship which was destroyed in Havana, forwarded to the head of the Police Department contributions with that end in view. The scheme, however, was abandoned, and the Chief now wishes to refund the sums given to him in trust.

Each contributor gave one was accompanied by a note written by the donor in handwriting which plainly showed the youth and inexperience of the little ones. The letters are here reproduced:

"Enclosed please find ten cents to help build a new battleship. I am a true American little boy five years old and I think the new ship should be called the Dewey. Yours truly MARK BECK."

"HORACE EVANS GARTHORNE," "Oakland June 12th. Chief Fletcher please find enclosed ten cents I want to help build a battleship to take the place of the Maine. Yours truly MARK BECK."

The following message was printed in a rough childish style:

"Chief of Police here is ten cents for the Maine I am five years old. Five years old. BYRON DIBLOS NICHOLS."

"Please accept my ten cents to add to the fund to build the new Maine I am a little Oakland Girl 12 years old."

"Dear Sir Hurreb for the new Maine I send ten cents. ARTHUR NICHOLS."

Another letter contributor was the son of Druggist Lieber at West and Eighth streets.

It is not known that the three Nichols children whose letters appear above are members of the same family.

It is learned that Horace Garthorne has passed away since he forwarded his contribution. He was the son of the late ex-Councilman Harry Garthorne.

The surviving contributors are requested to call at the office of the Chief for their money.

# WANTED HIS SON TO WORK WITHOUT FOOD.

An interesting case was tried in Judge Quinn's court in Pleasanton today. The parties in the action were Wm. and Charles Hanna, father and son.

Charles Hanna had his father arrested for battery. He claimed that his father hit him over the head with a club and ordered him to go into the field to work without breakfast.

The father, on the other hand, claims that his son attacked him with a knife and that he used the club in self-defense.

About a year ago the elder Hanna tried to have another son sent to the Industrial School at Presidio, but did not succeed. It is said that the relations between the father and his family have been very unpleasant.

# CLOUGH TRIES FOR A CAUCUS.

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SACRAMENTO, Feb. 14.—One ballot for United States Senator, city-first, was taken today. It showed no change in the deadlock.

Before adjournment was taken Clough introduced a resolution calling for a meeting of the Republican members to vote for a Senator, the meeting to be held at 8 o'clock this evening.

The resolution provided also that each candidate should deliver an oration, and that one who failed to do so should be dropped from the list of candidates.

The resolution was declared to be out of order.

# MERCHANTS EXCHANGE BILL IS REPORTED.

(Special to The Tribune.)

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 14.—The Merchants' Exchange city and county consolidation bill has been favorably recommended by the committee.

Stratton's bill relieving County Clerks of registration and imposing duties on Supervisors has been favorably reported and placed at the head of the file.

# NEWSPAPER BILLS IN BOTH HOUSES.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Feb. 14.—In the Senate this morning a number of bills were introduced to provide for the payment of newspaper claims for publishing the constitutional amendments.

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# FOX-FERRIN MATTER SETTLED.

The charge of interfering with an officer against J. S. Fox was dismissed in the Police Court for want of prosecution, the complaining witness, Detective Ferrin, failing to appear. This failure caused Ferrin's arrest on a bench warrant as a defaulting witness. This morning Ferrin explained that his failure to appear was occasioned by his misunderstanding as to the date of the trial. The excuse was accepted by Judge Smith, the defendant was discharged and the \$10 bail which he had put up was refunded.

# DON CARLOS IS IRRECONCILABLE.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

MADRID, Feb. 14.—El Correo, the newspaper organ of Don Carlos, prints today a letter from the Pretender, forbidding his partisans to attend the sitting of the Chambers when the peace treaty is under discussion.

# BRANDES HEARS THE EVIDENCE.

W. A. Brandes, charged with the murder of his daughter, was brought into court again this morning to listen to the evidence which the prosecution is producing against him. He still maintains a quiet unconcern while the stories of his brutal conduct toward his daughter are being recited.

This morning J. S. Harvey, Brandes' former assistant watchman, took the witness stand. He told the jury of the cruel treatment Lillian Brandes had received at the home of her father. He said that the girl had not been allowed to eat with the other members of the family because Brandes said she was not good enough for their company.

One night between the 13th and 15th of November, witness had been awakened by noises in an adjoining room. He distinctly recognized the voice of Brandes, but could not distinguish the words he was uttering. The tone sounded as if he was in anger. He also heard sounds as if someone was being beaten with a slipper.

The next day Brandes asked Harvey if he had heard the noises. When he replied that he had, Brandes said that his daughter had stolen \$5 and a bottle of poison, and he had been chastising her because she had fooled him in regard to the place where she had hidden the money. Witness then asked Brandes why he did not send the girl to her folks in Monterey. Brandes said he would not do so. He intended to keep her with him.

Brandes had told Harvey that the reason he did not send Lillian to school was because he was afraid she would get him into trouble by her actions. The cross-examination of the witness was taken up by Attorney Sawyer and conducted at length.

# MRS. DOYLE WAS ON THE SCENE.

Mrs. Doyle, who lives on the corner of Seventh and Webster streets, created a sensation this afternoon by denouncing employees of the railroad and trying to prevent them from setting a signal pole in front of her premises.

The railroad secured the permission of the Council to erect a signal tower on the corner.

Mr. Doyle protested against such action on the ground that the tower man would be able to look into his wife's bedroom. The Council overruled his objection.

This afternoon a lively row was promised. Mrs. Doyle was on deck and interfered with the work. She jumped into the post hole and remained there until she was pulled out.

The police were called upon for assistance and the work proceeded under their protection.

# CANAL BILL'S UPHILL FIGHT.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Mr. Cortis (R.) of Michigan offered his Pacific cable bill as an amendment to the sundry civil bill. The amendment was ruled out on the point of order.

Mr. Hepburn of Iowa has offered the Nicaragua canal bill as an amendment to the sundry civil bill. Mr. Cannon made the point of order against it that it was not germane and that it was obnoxious to the rule requiring that appropriations must be authorized by law.

# M'DONALD OUT FOR SUPERVISOR.

(Special to The Tribune.)

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 14.—Assemblyman McDonald of Livermore this afternoon stated to your correspondent that he will be a candidate for Supervisor of his district two years from now.

# MORE WOMEN FREEZE TO DEATH IN NEW YORK.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—The people of New York to-day enjoyed the first sunshine they have had since Friday. The city is still cut off for the most part from railroad railroad communication with the outside world.

No mails were received in this city during the night. An attempt will be made to-day to send away at least a portion of the outgoing mails that are piled up in the New York and Brooklyn post-offices.

A New York Central train which left the Grand Central depot at 5:30 last evening arrived at Tarrytown at 1 o'clock to-day, after fighting snow drifts all night.

The suffering among the poor is intense. Mrs. Charles Morrison, aged 70, a widow of Jersey City, sank exhausted in the snow and died before medical assistance could arrive. Mary DeLeon, aged 70, was found frozen to death in her room on First avenue this morning.

# BIEBER WINS IN SUPREME COURT.

The defendant in the case of Franz against Bieber has been granted a new trial by the Supreme Court. The parties in the suit were engaged in business in East Oakland some time ago.

Bieber sold his interest to Franz, together with his share of the good will. He afterward started an opposition business and Franz brought suit for violation of the contract. A decision was given for the plaintiff by a jury in Judge Blaworth's court. An appeal was taken from the judgment roll, and the Supreme Court has granted a new trial. J. H. Smith was the attorney for the appellant.

# NOT AFTER OFFICE.

This morning D. J. Mullins, secretary of the Third Ward Republican Club, filed with the City Clerk an affidavit that he is not a candidate for the position of Library Trustee on the Independent Republican ticket. He was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Harry Hillard.

# LIVES SAVED BY YOUNG HERO.

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CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—Frozen water plugs prevented the fire department from getting a stream on the flames that broke out in the big seven-story brick warehouse at 10 to 24 West Water street today and resulted in great damage. The fire started in the basement at the rear of the building, and the flames shot up to the floors above quickly, and flashed out of the second-story windows before an alarm was turned in.

Owing to the heroic efforts of Eddie Lemke, an office boy, several people were saved from being burned to death. The lad ran from floor to floor and spread the alarm, and not until he saw that every one had made his escape did the boy leave the structure.

The building was owned by the Manufacturers and Merchants Warehouse Company, and much of its space was rented to bicycle firms, whose loss will be great. The building was packed with goods, the value of which cannot be estimated as they came from a hundred quarters. The loss of the building is placed at \$250,000, and that of contents anywhere between \$250,000 and \$1,000,000.

It is said that five or six people have perished in the flames, but this has not yet been verified.

11:10 A. M.—The fire is spreading rapidly, and it looks as if a number of the surrounding buildings will suffer damage from the conflagration.

# NO QUORUM IN PENNSYLVANIA.

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HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 14.—No quorum today on account of storm. The ballot resulted:

Quay 17, Daltiel 1, Janis 2.

IN NEBRASKA.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 14.—The only change in the vote today was the change to Fields of the man who sprang Jensen's name yesterday. The vote was changed from 10 to 11.

The vote was unchanged until the Republican caucus is held, which will probably be some time this week.

# TRAINLOAD OF CATTLE FROZEN.

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PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 14.—After battling against unequal odds with cold weather for five days, the railroads have succumbed, and not a train has left Pittsburgh for the East since yesterday afternoon. All Western trains are moving from one to four hours late.

Through passenger trains are being held up by railroad companies. Over 200 travelers are snowbound at Altoona. It is reported that a cattle train consisting of seven cars on the Pittsburgh, Virginia and Charleston road was caught in the snow last night and every animal perished. A carload of hogs were frozen on the same road.

# CONVENTION OF THE SUPERVISORS.

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SACRAMENTO, Feb. 14.—The State Convention of County Supervisors will be held this afternoon. Nearly every county in the State will be represented. The Supervisors will exchange ideas as to the best and most economical methods for the government of counties.

They will present a bill to the Legislature legalizing the holding of State Conventions of Supervisors. The local Supervisors have provided for a social entertainment for the visitors tonight at Elks' Hall.

# ENDEAVORERS TO HOLD A BIG CONVENTION.

The called meeting of the '99 Endeavor Committee for last night resolved itself into an informal conference where important matters were freely discussed.

Mr. Kellogg and Mr. Lyon gave detailed reports from their departments. Mr. Gaylord, on behalf of the special committee on advertising, reported an exceedingly interesting interview with State Secretary Reed. Mr. Reed is anxious to do all in his power to make "Oakland '99" memorable to California Christian Endeavorers. He hopes to issue a special edition of the Pacific Christian Endeavorer early in the month, largely advertising the convention and the convention city. As this paper will be sent to every Christian Endeavor Society in California, it will doubtless be the means of bringing many strangers to Oakland.

Chairman Surr announced the date of the convention as May 12-21, and that Dr. Francis E. Clark would be present.

Rev. A. R. Hathaway of Berkeley was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Harry Hillard.

Mr. Webster and Mr. Wastell had good ideas on decorations and have about concluded to use the national colors of the United States. The State C. E. colors—gold and purple—will be used mainly on the streets.

Last June at the State C. E. Convention in Los Angeles there were over 3,000 duly registered delegates, and the "99" committee confidently believes the attendance this year will be much greater. This, of course, does not include the large number of people who avail themselves of cheap rates to visit in the convention city.

# Damage Suit on Trial Before a Jury.

The suit of William G. and Gertrude K. Sewell against the Southern Pacific Company for \$10,000 damages is on trial in Judge Greene's court today. Archie Bolland and Edwin L. Forster represented the plaintiffs and A. A. Moore the defendant.

Mrs. Sewell was put on the witness stand. She stated that on April 30 of last year she was thrown from the steps of the local train as she was about to alight. She received injuries from her fall from which she has not recovered. For ten days after the accident she was confined to her bed, and had suffered exceedingly from nervousness. She had spent many nights crying because she was so weak.

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# Wrecks Strew England's Coast.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—Accounts of the effect of the gale of yesterday and Sunday are arriving. Announcements of wrecks overflow the ordinary casualty bulletin board at Lloyd's, and all the boats and the war boats, and all the boats, and are posted around the walls. This is something the like of which is not remembered by the oldest member of the Exchange.

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Car trucks are buried.

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# Bikers Forfeit.

William Plyman, Wm. Bago, and J. English forfeited bail this morning in the Police Court for violating the bicycle ordinance.

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# SPORTS

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Finance Club Arranging to Match McConnell and Phil Green.

Y.C.A. ATHLETES AT SAN JOSE.

Ac Club Members Give "Dutch" Waller a Splendid Reception.

Considerable interest is being taken in the games of the Minor Baseball League. One of the best games ever played at Golden Gate took place Sunday between the Owls of this city and the Altas of San Francisco. The latter team won by a score of 9 to 7. The point indications are that the competition will be an exceptionally prosperous one for the ball players.

The action of the Acme Club members in giving their clubmate, "Dutch" Waller, such a send-off Monday night is most commendable. It reminds one of the days when club spirit entered in all contests and when a goodly number of club members were always present at a fellow member were a content in an open event.

In the absence of the same spirit has to great extent been responsible for the lukewarm condition at athletic events on this coast of late years.

Phil Green, the promising young soldier, who has made such a good record before, has suddenly as suddenly as he left some months ago. It was reported at the time he went away that he had deserted his regiment but that has been disproven by the production of a letter that he had an unlimited leave of absence. He has received an honorable discharge and is now preparing for an active season in his chosen profession.

During his stay in Los Angeles Green won many contests before the Los Angeles Athletic Club.

The earnestness with which the officers of the Eureka Athletic Club have set out making it pleasant for members is well known for the future prosperity of that youthful organization. Aside from the athletic work a great deal of interest is being taken in the social side of life. The regular Friday night socials have become so popular that the floor of the large reception room was crowded at the last one and a new room is now being made for the purpose of holding the same. Bicycle, running, country tramp, baseball and other outdoor pastimes are given a great deal of attention, with the result that a great many of the young men of Oakland have joined the club. Let the good work go on.

I was reported after the Rochette-Lavigne fiasco at the Reliance Club Friday night that the contest had been awarded to Lavigne by Referee Jack Fox. This is a mistake. The referee decided the bout no contest and all bef off.

One of the more charitably inclined has stuck to the belief that the Berkeley man was not a party to the fake, but the circumstances disprove that theory. It is well known that Lavigne and Rochette came over from San Francisco on the same boat Friday night, arriving at the club shortly before the fight was called. If the Berkeley man had not known that he was going to be a party to the fake, he would have been very careful to take care of himself that he did. Then again, when Rochette fell to the floor instead of standing over his man as a man does when placed in a like position on the square, Lavigne stepped in with a look of unconcern as though he knew it was all over.

These remarks may seem superfluous but it is my desire to show these men in their true form. They are fakers of the rankest type and should, and probably will, be boycotted by every club on the coast.

### THE UMPIRE.

Y. M. C. A.

The basketball teams connected with the Oakland Young Men's Christian Association that recently participated in the league games were entertained Monday evening by the General Secretary Noel H. Jacks at a supper served in the dining room of the building. Thirty young men were seated about tables and a most enjoyable time was realized. Remarks on the basketball of the future and the Association work in general were made by Secretary Jacks, Clarke E. Pomeroy and physical director L. M. Myers.

All arrangements for the new League with the San Francisco Association have been completed and the opening game will be played on Tuesday evening, February 28th. Eight games will be played. Four in Oakland and four in San Francisco. Dates for the Oakland games are February 28th, March 21st, April 4th, April 11th.

Those who attended the State convention in San Jose last week enjoyed an exceptionally pleasant trip. One of the most interesting and helpful features of the convention was the athletic exhibition by young men

from the Association gymnasiums at San Francisco, Stockton, and Oakland. L. M. Myers, Joe Lancaster, and Geo. White were the Oakland boys who participated. All those who took part were formed as a class under the direction of Dr. H. L. Dietz of the San Francisco Association. The program included work on horizontal bar, horse, and parallel bar; dumb bell drill and tumbling. The purpose was to illustrate the regular class work as carried on in the Young Men's Christian Association gymnasiums rather than to show the proficiency of individuals. The Oakland young men showed the result of careful training in this work.

### RELiance CLUB.

Interest increases in indoor baseball as the date for the opening game of the tournament draws near. After several practice games, Manager C. M. Davis has selected the following team: Deacon, Rosenheim, Lehner, Gross, B. Dean, W. Dean, Deakman, Holmes, Audifred and Platt. The opening game will be played to-morrow night at the Olympic Club by the Olympics and Reliance. The tournament will continue until March 21st, when the Reliance and Olympics will play the final game in the club gymnasium. Each club will have played each other team three times making six games for each club. The first tournament game on this side will be between the Young Men's Christian Association and Reliance teams on February 25th.

The Gun Club, under Capt. Seaver, is making preparations for an opening free-for-all shoot to take place early in March at the club grounds on Alameda Point. The club is preparing for an annual season.

The Lincoln Gun Club of San Francisco will hold an open blue rock shoot at Alameda Point on the 23d of February. The Reliance Gun Club has been invited to participate, and a number of the best shots are expected.

Falling in his effort to arouse enthusiasm among the club's riders, Captain A. P. Deacon has concluded to try his hand at the racing game again with the hope his action will result in others following suit. Captain Deacon, in condition, is one of the fastest amateurs on the Coast, and he will make it interesting for some of the cracks.

Scottie Wyman has given up all hopes of being reinstated, and has entered in the professional ranks in the indoor meet. Several other riders may decide to enter the amateur events which are to take place next week.

The only representative from the club to take part in the Olympic boxing tournament will be Fred Permei, who will enter as a lightweight. His go will take place Thursday, March 17th.

The largest crowd that ever assembled in the gymnasium was the one Friday night. Aside from the disgraceful Rochette-Lavigne fake, the program was exceptionally good. The fight between Jack Rochette and Thurston was a surprise to many. Thurston weighed fully fifteen pounds more than his opponent, yet he could not stand the pace and went out in the third round. McMahon showed marked improvement since his last go, and his most intimate friends were surprised at his work.

"Doc" Flynn fully sustained his reputation as a clever youngster on his return match with O'Meara. The fight was the very hottest of the season, men showing a decided desire to put his opponent out in as short time as possible. It was quite an even thing until the fourth round, when O'Meara, by a show of signs of distress, Flynn, quick to take advantage of his opportunity, soon had his opponent bleeding from a broken nose and very groggy. As it was apparent that O'Meara was about gone, the fight was stopped.

The new said about the event of the evening, the better for the principals therein. Suffice it to say that the club will in the future, as in the past, take a decided stand in all such cases.

### PIGEON FANCIERS.

The pigeon fanciers of Alameda county held a meeting Monday evening at the Park Hotel, Alameda, for the purpose of organizing a pigeon club.

The charter members are E. D. Connelley, H. F. Whitman, Geo. H. Croley, J. G. Lubben, G. D. Lubben, E. Whigham, C. J. Stegfield, T. W. Laycock, Dr. L. E. Thomas, W. B. Carpenter, of Alameda, Jno. Mole, H. P. Squire, B. T. McBain, A. L. Schaffer, A. McIntyre, Dr. C. M. Selfridge, W. R. Crocker, of Oakland, Percy Ward, of Fruitvale, and P. H. Schlotzhauser, of Dimond.

The name adopted is Pacific Pigeon Club, and it will have a room fitted up near Park street, Alameda, where monthly meetings will be held the second Monday of each month.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, E. D. Connelley; vice-president, B. T. McBain; secretary and Treasurer, H. F. Whitman; librarian, C. J. Stegfield; veterinary surgeon, Dr. T. Carpenter. The above named officers and Dr. Crocker, Croley, and Thomas constitute the executive committee.

Race Committee—Messrs. J. G. Lubben, McIntyre, and Schlotzhauser.

All pigeon fanciers are cordially invited to join the club.

### EUREKA ATHLETES.

The four club tournaments were closed Saturday night, the winners announced and the prizes distributed by the committee in charge. In the whist tournament President McGinnis and W. Walsh were declared the winners, with J. Mansfield and L. Long second. At euchre Mansfield and Long won, with McGinnis and J. Denby second. The hand-ball tournament went to Jerry Denby with a score of twenty-two straight games. The contest over checkers resulted in a victory

for L. Long, George Ferris second and E. Smith third. The prizes were not as valuable as might be expected by an older club, but they will be treasured by the winners, not for their intrinsic value, but for the reason that they are the first given by the club.

Saturday afternoon a number of the members of the leadership of George Ferris, held a run out the county road. Instead of trying to make the party look easy, stopping frequently and getting all the pleasure possible out of the event, the wheelmen will soon hold a run to Pleasanton, where they will be guests of a friend of one of the club members.

Twenty-two of the members will leave for a tramp through the hills back of Piedmont. In the afternoon a game of baseball will be indulged in, after which the party will be the guests at a dinner served at one of the large residences on the hills.

The Friday night socials are becoming so popular that the officers have found it necessary to move a partition to make more room in the reception room. Friday night so many members were present that the other companions that the floor was crowded.

The entertainment to be given by the club at Montana Hall on March 4th is attracting a great deal of attention among the young men of Oakland. An excellent program has been arranged, and the prospects are that a snug sum will be realized by the club.

### FOOTBALL.

The final game of Association football between the Oakland and the Vampires of San Francisco will be played at Freeman's Park, Golden Gate, on Washington's birthday, Saturday, February 19th. The Oakland club will be the home team, and all interested being invited to attend. The game promises to be an exceptionally interesting one.

### ACME AFFAIRS.

The gymnasium presented a lively appearance at the last class night. Over forty members were on the floor. Some were old, some were young but all were bent on becoming more proficient in the use of the apparatus. G. Valentine a new boxer asked for a six-round tryout with one of Jack Kitchen's pupils. He was sent against George Simpson who scored several knock-downs and gave Valentine enough in the third round.

The only thing to be common thing on class nights. Spectators are treated to some very clever exhibitions many of the bouts being better than those often seen at public entertainments.

A great many of the old-time members who have not been active part in the club affairs for years are beginning to show a renewed interest. This fact is very pleasing to the directors who feel that their efforts to restore the club to its former standing are appreciated.

There are a great many business men who are members of the club who until recently took no active interest in the club. Now they are beginning to come around once or twice a week for regular exercises. This is the club becoming more popular every day and applications for membership continue to pour in.

Preparations are being made for a gentleman's night to be held early next month. The entertainment of the night is to be a blackened glove contest between two well known members, a six-round tryout, musical numbers, and several trials in the gymnasium. This program is followed by a smoker in which a liberal supply of cigars, tobacco and red lemonade out quite a figure.

Nearly one hundred members attended the bicycle races at Mechanic's Pavilion Monday evening. They were there for the purpose of giving "Dutch" Waller a good send off when the six-day race started.

### GOLF NOTES.

There was a large gathering of golf players at Adams' Point Saturday, some to take part in the games and others to witness the struggles for supremacy which took place. It was the regular schedule day for the ladies tournament for the ladies' cup. Although the contest was begun promptly at the appointed hour, the championship still remained undecided when time was called. The players had, however, all been draped in green.

Miss Elizabeth Moffitt and Miss Belle Mhoon. As the hour was growing late when the tournament had dwindled down to these two, it was decided to postpone the contest until some day this week. It now remains to be seen which of these young ladies will bear off the much-prized trophy. Both have made excellent records on the links and much speculation is being indulged in as to the probable winner.

The contest for the 7th best club also remains to be decided. The tournament will probably be finished this week. Ernest Folger and Dan Belden are the leading contestants and will put up a game well seeing when pitted against each other.

On Saturday a mixed foursome for members of the club is scheduled to take place.

### THE PRODUCE MARKET.

OATS, CORN, BEANS, RAY, ETC.  
OATS—White, \$1.22@1.25 per cwt for near water; mixed, \$1.15@1.20; small white, \$1.10@1.15; large red, \$1.15@1.20; small red, \$1.10@1.15; large white, \$1.15@1.20; small yellow, \$1.10@1.15; large yellow, \$1.15@1.20; small black, \$1.10@1.15; large black, \$1.15@1.20; small brown, \$1.10@1.15; large brown, \$1.15@1.20; small green, \$1.10@1.15; large green, \$1.15@1.20; small red, \$1.10@1.15; large red, \$1.15@1.20; small white, \$1.10@1.15; large white, \$1.15@1.20; small yellow, \$1.10@1.15; large yellow, \$1.15@1.20; small black, \$1.10@1.15; large black, \$1.15@1.20; small brown, \$1.10@1.15; large brown, \$1.15@1.20; small green, \$1.10@1.15; large green, \$1.15@1.20; small red, \$1.10@1.15; large red, \$1.15@1.20; small white, \$1.10@1.15; large white, \$1.15@1.20; small yellow, \$1.10@1.15; large yellow, \$1.15@1.20; small black, \$1.10@1.15; large black, \$1.15@1.20; small brown, \$1.10@1.15; large brown, \$1.15@1.20; small green, \$1.10@1.15; large green, \$1.15@1.20; small red, \$1.10@1.15; 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# FEW POINTS ON INSURANCE.

## Mutual Fire Insurance It Is Declared to Be an Insurance That Fails Schemes Are Exposed.

How blissfully and easily one can manage and figure out the business affairs of his neighbor. The average tradesman with the requisite amount of vanity and buncombe can tell you the bedrock cost of petroleum, crude or refined, if he is not interested in that line of trade. The average blacksmith can figure out to a nicety the gullibility of the public when it comes to the selling price of groceries, dry goods, etc., while both, unless they are in the insurance business, and the others who have been ostracized by past indiscretions from representing the old-line and responsible companies, can be found courageously advocating a nickel-in-the-slot principle of fire insurance as a relief from what they term extortionate rates and the exactions of a scoundrel monopoly. Have the owners of our Oakland homes been crying out against the high tariff on dwellings of the stock companies? Do the merchants of this city owning and maintaining first-class non-hazardous risks, wall and city out against so-called extortionate rates? Is it quite true that a prominent population, actuated by a few citizens (these latter, being engaged in specially hazardous undertakings) have introduced in the present Legislature, S. B. 231 and its counterpart, A. B. 421, providing for an ostensible system of indemnity, which cannot commend itself to anybody, save those who will, would-be future managers, whose sole purpose and object is selfish personal profit at the expense of the insuring public.

**MUTUAL INSURANCE.**  
Mutual life insurance is a system run by men without capital, and without experience as underwriters, may organize a fire insurance company on credit, and on the pass-word that principle, collect enough money from the dupes to pay losses and expenses. No business man or legislator can endorse the plan of promulgating impudent, unscrupulous and undesirable indemnity, ostensibly in the interest of the public, but really in the interest of impudent and irresponsible managers. The whole fabric of mutual insurance rests in its ability to collect assessments, with which to meet losses and expenses. In the past this PROMISE to pay has not proven satisfactory, or a promise to be relied upon except in very fair weather. One of the occasional storms to which fire underwriters are periodically subjected, and which have caused them to leave the post-mutual insured and over-confident claimant, with simply his policy, and nothing whatever to rely upon. Such a system, even if honestly and efficiently conducted, does not commend itself favorably to the mind of sound business judgment and experience. Where there is no security, there is no real indemnity, and the law permitting such organizations is contrary to a good, healthful public policy on this account, if for no other reason.

We quote the following from 1897 reports of the Insurance Commissioners for Michigan, Iowa and Missouri: Michigan—Seventy-five companies report losses unpaid, \$1,322,242.31. Recovered money, \$185,181.93. Due officers, \$7,530.92. \$1,239,630.01. Cash on hand, \$45,581.32. This cash would pay 25 cents on the dollar on the borrowed money only. Iowa—Nine companies report losses collected to pay losses, \$1,925,952.92. Collected to pay expenses, \$120,120.24. \$2,046,073.16. Collected about \$2.50 to pay \$1 loss. Missouri—Eleven companies report collected to pay losses, \$8,623,984.55. Collected to pay expenses, \$110,156.33. \$8,734,140.91. Collected about \$2.75 to pay \$1 loss. Iowa companies owe for losses, \$35,187.01. Missouri companies owe for losses, \$17,292.61. The above official figures show that this class of insurance is neither economical, as to cost, or reliable as to indemnity.

**SOME EXAMPLES.**  
Again, this quotation from an exchange from Potomac, Illinois, explains itself:  
"In April, 1898, the farmers of Vermilion county, Illinois, organized the Vermilion County Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Danville. A little later they organized the Danville District Mutual Tornado Insurance Company of Danville. These companies had such a wonderful growth that in April, 1897, the same parties organized the American Mutual Insurance Company of Danville to both fire and tornado insurance on all kinds of property. On January 1, 1898, the American Mutual had something like a million dollars of insurance in force; the County Fire (which only insured farm property) had about \$500,000 of insurance in force; the District Tornado Company had about \$500,000 insurance in force.  
"On January 31, 1898, the American Mutual levied a heavy assessment on all policy holders to pay losses incurred. About March 1, 1898, the County Fire insurance Company levied an assessment.  
"The policy-holders of all the companies began to realize that mutual insurance was mutual in fact, and that although they wanted to dodge their assessment there was no way out, only to step out and pay up.  
"A great many paid up and had their policies canceled. This was continued until the companies were reduced to the limit or minimum amount that the law allowed them to continue business with. Then those who wanted to cancel found that they could not compel cancellation. The matter was taken into the courts and a receiver asked for.  
"On September 20th the directors of American Mutual decided to cancel policies and close their books. They notified all policy holders. On October 15th the directors of the County Fire and the District Tornado companies decided to follow the example of the American Mutual and close their doors. They therefore levied an assessment sufficient to pay all indebtedness, and notified each of the policy holders that their policy was canceled, and that they must pay their assessment within thirty days or be sued for it. It has cost some of the policy holders in these different companies as much as \$500 for seven months' insurance. The assessment was \$100 per policy. One man, who is well known to the writer, had his insurance carried by a regular company for \$50 per year on \$5,000. He took \$5,000 in the Mutual and it cost him \$150 for five months' insurance.  
"But, after all, the people of Vermilion county had an object lesson on insurance, and it will be a long time before the farmers of Vermilion county can be talked into 'cheap joint' insurance schemes. Other counties should profit by Vermilion's experience and keep clear of mutual concerns."

**EXPERIENCE IN CALIFORNIA.**  
But to return to California, experience where people have been made fully acquainted with the difference between the limitation and the counterfeited, as compared with a genuine article of first class fire insurance.  
In 1874 that fraudulent mutual concern titled the California Farmers' Insurance Company, with great flourish of trumpets, was heralded to a credulous public as its savior and protector, from the rigid and uncompromising demands of the stalwart but always reliable stock companies. The rate of two per cent, without regard to physical or moral hazard, was put upon property. Good and bad risks, exposed and unexposed to fire from adjoining buildings, were placed on the same basis. There was also a representation of authority to levy assessments for any deficiency of premiums; one-half the premium was payable in cash, and a note for the remainder, for form's sake, was exacted, with the understanding that it would never mature, and that the company would not be liable for any deficiency of premiums. The promise was to limit risks to the country, but \$5,000,000 was written in San Francisco, to \$5,000,000 in the country and in country towns. As in the case with all mutuals of a similar type, the California Farmers' Insurance Company was badly and dishonestly managed. Risks which no legitimate company would undertake, except at high figures, were written by the California Farmers' without hesitation. The commissions paid were larger than the stock companies allowed for similar services, and special rebates from the rates were frequently given. The business, running from three to five years, was a complete failure. The company was subsequently found to be a fraud, and the future thus discounted. It was subsequently found desirable to organize a stock department. Dummy certificates of deposit were put up, and a large list of alleged claims, representing \$200,000 of alleged claims, was diligently advertised; but bad management and heavy losses hastened the failure which was inevitable in the first, and which was only postponed by the combination of stock and mutual plans. The affairs of the company had run from bad to worse. The surplus was fraudulently used, the premiums were regularly misappropriated, and the books were systematically falsified. The company was forced to discontinue business in January, 1879, and two months later a receiver was appointed.

**DEMAND BY FARMERS.**  
If anybody thinks there is any great demand by the farmers of this State for mutual fire insurance, he will be quickly undeceived by questioning any of the 3,000 farmers who were mutual policy-holders in the California Farmers' Bucket-shop Company. They will, from their own experience, advise that mutual fire insurance is a delusion and a snare. They will assert that mutual fire insurance is not indemnity against loss by fire; that it is costly and sham insurance, with partial or no payments of losses and with a strong probability of vexatious and costly litigation. Over one hundred suits were brought against California farmers, after the failure of the California Farmers' Insurance Company, to compel the payment of assessments on notes given for premiums, for which they received no consideration.  
Already in the East the Legislatures have endeavored to protect policy-holders by enacting strict laws either prohibitory or framed to force the mutuals into liquidation as soon as insolvent. The New Hampshire Insurance Commissioner declares that mutual fire insurance has not been a success in that State, and he clinches that declaration by referring to over forty companies that have failed. "Nearly all of which," he says, "have been under embarrassed conditions, and have left their patrons and leaving losses unpaid." The Pennsylvania Insurance Commissioner, an old and experienced official, refers to mutual fire insurance companies as follows:  
"The only purpose of a number of these organizations, judging from their operations, seems to be to collect premiums and avoid the payment of losses."  
At another time he says of them:  
"When losses occur they refuse to pay, upon some convenient pretext. In numerous cases claimants can find neither officer nor officers. These companies are licensed frauds, and some means should be provided for terminating their existence and their opportunity to prey upon the public."  
The Columbia Insurance Company, a mutual at Columbia, Pennsylvania, received \$14,462 in assessments and paid out only \$78 in losses one year, and a special mention is made of the robbery by the Commissioner in his annual report. The Universal Fire Insurance Company, Philadelphia mutual, is referred to as follows:  
"A list of twenty-one unsatisfied judgments."

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See you get Carter's,  
Ask for Carter's,  
Insist and demand  
Carter's Little Liver Pills.

ments, aggregating \$12,501.46, has been forwarded to the department by an attorney of one of the plaintiffs, who states that the Sheriff returned that he could find no goods except a few pieces of office furniture of little or no value, and for those a claim of property was put in by another party.  
The Commissioner sensibly protested that "it is a solemn mockery for the law to protect policy holders from imposition in the case of stock companies by requiring them to have a securely invested capital and a sufficient reserve, while mutual companies are free to assume the same kind of risks without capital, reserve or any of the securities so rigidly exacted of stock companies for the protection of their policy holders."

**DISTORTED FACTS.**  
Distorted facts and lying figures are used to bolster up the arguments in favor of this delusive system of mutual fire insurance. By observation, the select few who expound the boasts of select insurance companies (as and hearty, but mean while experience and understanding grows lean, hungry and consumptive. Does the proposed system provide indemnity for the merchant in blocks, the blacksmith or manufacturer using steam power? Oh, no! Mutual fire insurance is to apply only to detached and non-hazardously occupied property, and cannot by its terms be used to encourage or protect the business of the community where the business ends of the community where it operates. The venture is a mere sham and a pretext. Without scientific methods or the ordinary benefits of experience by classification or the ability to command the lessening of the ordinary fire hazards, mutual fire insurance sinks to a precarious and treacherous gamble, and the outcome means ruin and disaster to the policy holders and a disgrace to the community, attempting navigation in unknown waters and without either rudder or compass.

### PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Miss Grace Hewlett has returned to Stockton after a visit to friends in this city and San Francisco.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gregory are in Los Angeles.  
H. Bendell and Mrs. G. H. Hunt are among the guests registered at the St. James, San Jose.  
Mrs. M. J. Norton has returned from a visit to friends in San Jose.  
E. H. Baker was recently the guest of J. H. Secord of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Weston of San Jose are spending the winter in this city. They are residing at 759 Eighth street.  
Mrs. Kate Schurer of San Jose is the guest of friends in this city.  
L. C. Parke is registered at the Florence, San Diego.  
Le Clair Smith was recently visiting his parents in Hayward.  
Prof. Charles Mills Gayley of the U. C. was recently in Stockton.  
J. W. Palmer was recently in Stockton.

Miss Callista Rumlill of Pinole was recently visiting friends in this city.  
Miss Josie Brast has returned from a three weeks' visit to friends in Port Costa.  
Deputy District Attorney Paul Walsh went to Sacramento yesterday.  
W. E. Pierson is a guest at the St. James, San Jose.  
W. F. Maxwell was recently in Salinas on business.  
E. T. Flint is registered at the Palace, Napa.  
J. G. Gasman of Alameda was recently in Napa.

Miss Annie Williams has gone to the country for a vacation.  
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. H. of Alameda expect to leave for a European trip soon.  
Miss Pellirano of San Jose is the guest of friends in this city.  
Mrs. D. Banter and A. H. Sheakley are among the guests registered at the Napa Hotel, Napa.  
Mrs. Thomas Rutledge and son Clifford, of Berkeley were recently in Colusa.  
Attorney F. W. Hall, who recently injured his leg by fall, is able to be around with crutches.

Miss Haight of Alameda is the guest of Miss Post of Stockton.  
Miss Holgate of Tacoma, Washington, is the guest of relatives in this city.  
Mrs. Doolan of Livermore was recently visiting relatives in this city.  
A. D. Anderson of Berkeley has gone to Los Angeles Camp.  
C. H. McRoy of Santa Cruz has been spending a week in Alameda the guest of Captain H. H. Todd.

The Temescal Volunteer Fire Department will give a dance and social on April 5th.  
Mrs. Alexander Wright of Lathrop entertained a number of friends at a dinner party Friday evening.  
Colonel and Mrs. W. L. Duff and daughter, Miss Agnes Duff, of Berkeley are spending a week in Humboldt county.  
Don F. Lamhorn of Alameda is in Sacramento.

Miss Ida Hodges of Vallejo has returned home after spending a pleasant week as the guest of Miss Mae Gillan of East Oakland.  
"Our Lady of Guadalupe" Church covered five years ago no leak since. A. Grotz, "Ming's" Paint and Roofing, San Francisco. Leave orders to L. Schleuter, Ninth and Washington streets.

**REV. BANNERMAN'S LECTURE ON AFRICA.**  
Rev. W. S. Bannerman who has spent several years in the wilds of Africa, will lecture in the chapel of the First Presbyterian Church this evening. Admission free.  
Mr. Bannerman has with him a large number of interesting pictures which illustrate the habits and customs of these people. Many of these curios have never been seen in this country before. All will be on exhibition at the close of the lecture.  
The chapel will doubtless be crowded to its utmost capacity for Mr. Bannerman is not altogether a stranger to Oakland people, and those who have heard him will not fail to avail themselves of this opportunity to hear him again.

# DANIELS IN COMIC OPERA.

## Last Production of "My Partner" at the Dewey.

Frank Daniels' enterprises in bringing his entire New York company with him here to produce his two big comic operas, "The Wizard of the Nile" and "The Idiot's Eye," will undoubtedly be appreciated by the music loving people of this city. Those who love humor in its purest and most contagious quality will be delighted with Frank Daniels. Since he was last here Daniels has quite a comedy for the bright light of comic opera. He is now regarded as one of the three leading men in comic opera, sharing the honors of Francis Wilson and De Wolf Hopper.  
The operas which Daniels will produce are from the creative fancies of those two clever young Americans, Harry B. Smith and Victor Herbert, the authors and composers of the popular "Serenade" which the Bostonians have made familiar to this city's lovers of light opera, and of "The Fortune Teller," which is now touring the East successfully, and will be seen here shortly in the city of the future. The two operas which Daniels will present here abound in catching melodies and rich choral effects, written in the happiest vein of Victor Herbert, and for which he has been accorded first place among the comic opera writers of this country today.  
On next Thursday evening, "The Idiot's Eye" will be presented, and on Friday night "The Wizard of the Nile" will be produced, both at the Madonnaphone.

**THE DEWEY.**  
At the Dewey Opera House tonight the last production of the great play "My Partner" will take place. In it will appear all the fine actors of Morocco's strong theatrical company, which has been here a wealth of scenery which enables it to produce this piece in a manner which has never been equaled here before. The stirring incidents of the story have been made most effective by the efficient scenery, and the capable actors and actresses of the Morocco Company. The second performance of the play was given last night before a large and well pleased audience.  
Morocco's company remains here only until next Sunday night.  
Following "My Partner" next Thursday night will come the emotional play of "East Lynne" which will strike a tender chord in every female heart.

**FOURTH WARD IMPROVERS MEET.**  
Candidates Invited to Address the Club.  
The Fourth Ward Improvement Club met last night in Montana Hall, President A. C. McTavish in the chair, Charles Muller, secretary.  
Councilman Cuvellier had been invited to address the club and had accepted the invitation. While the members were waiting for him to put in an appearance President McTavish took occasion to make a few remarks concerning the aims and objects of the club. He said the chief object of the club was to secure the filling in of the Tompkins school pond and similar sanitary reforms. The club would ask the various candidates in the field for municipal offices to pledge themselves to abate such nuisances.  
J. B. Wheeler said there never was a time in the history of Oakland when such clubs were more urgently needed. He was glad to see the young men of the Fourth ward taking such an active interest in the welfare of the community. The unsanitary conditions of the ward call for the attention of its Councilman.  
At this point J. G. Poorman announced that he had just received a telegram from Mr. Cuvellier saying there was a special meeting of the Council on, and that he would, therefore, be unable to address the club, much as he would have liked to do so.  
President McTavish then announced a recess of five minutes to enable the Executive Committee appointed last week to organize, as the club wished to instruct the committee relative to waiting on the various campaign committees and making arrangements for the candidates to address the club. The recess was taken and the committee organized by electing William Brudwick chairman and Charles Potry secretary. The other members of the committee are E. J. Denahy, J. McTavish and E. J. Furlong.  
Mr. Poorman said he thought the Executive Committee should wait on the Campaign Committees of the different parties in the ward after the various committee meetings tonight and ask them to set dates for their candidates to address the club on different nights, so there would be no clash and no objection of partisan politics into the discussion. The speaker thought it would be a good idea for the Executive Committee to especially invite the Councilmen of the ward and the Councilmen-at-large to appear before the club and give their views on the subjects of interest to the members. He made a motion to that effect which was carried.  
The Executive Committee was accordingly instructed to confer with the Campaign Committees of the various parties at once, to have their candidates appear before the club as soon as convenient and pledge themselves to the furtherance of the improvements for which it was organized.  
The meeting then adjourned until next Wednesday night at 8 o'clock subject to a call of the chair should a special meeting be deemed necessary.

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# COUNSEL TO GO TO CAPITOL.

## Will Give Light on the City Council Wants the Leavitt Harbor Bill Fully Explained.

At the meeting of the Council last night Mr. Pringle introduced the following resolution on the Leavitt harbor bill now before the Legislature:  
Resolved, That the City Clerk be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to mail each member of the Assembly and Senate from Alameda county, and to the Board of Trade and Merchants' Exchange, a copy of the opinion of the City Attorney and special water front attorneys upon the Leavitt harbor bill; and be it further  
Resolved, That the Council hereby protests against the passage of said bill in the present form; also  
Resolved, That the president of the Senate and the Speaker of the House be also furnished a copy of the same.

Mr. Henneberry said he did not want to interfere with the members of the Legislature. Mr. Leavitt was a smart man and knew what he was doing. The speaker did not want to tell the members of the Legislature what to do. He believed that a favorable report had already been made on the bill. Mr. Pringle said he did not think it would interfere with the Legislature. It was simply sending to the members the report on the bill of the water front attorneys. He was not opposed to a compromise for Oakland with the bill suggested. He was in favor of such a body being created.  
Mr. Upton said he was in favor of having the petition go to the members of the Legislature. The water front attorneys had done a great deal of work on the matter, and their report was a very important one.  
Mr. Henneberry wanted to know what the city had secured as a return for the money it had expended as counsel fees.


Mr. Pringle said that if he objected to the petition being struck out, the attorneys did not want the bill and the people did not want the bill. He was in favor of the bill. It would be better to send a copy of the opinion to each of the Alameda county representatives and to show good faith with the City Attorney and the water front attorneys. No one was willing to do better work in the interests of the city. The attorneys had said that by no means would such a bill be accepted. It would be suicidal.  
Mr. Henneberry said the water front attorneys had too good a thing to let go of forever.  
Mr. Henneberry again stated that he understood that a favorable report had been made on the bill by the committee. He was in favor of the bill. Such a report would not have been made if the committee did not understand its business. He did not know anything about the bill. Leavitt had gone about during the campaign making no bones about being the author of the bill. If he did not know his

business there the Council could know little about it.  
Mr. Girard said that Leavitt did not know his business. If Leavitt had said he was going to vote for Burns, Leavitt would never have been elected. The chair admonished Mr. Girard not to introduce the Senatorial question into the Council.  
Mr. Rowe said that Leavitt had said that he was going to introduce a bill but he did not tell just what the bill was to be based on. The water front attorneys were averse to it. They had said that to pass the bill would be suicidal. It would be a disgrace to the city after the years of effort that had been spent and the money that had been paid out in litigation.  
Mr. Cuvellier said that he had every confidence in the attorneys which the city had employed to prosecute the work. He did not think that the Council ought to take a position against them in their work.  
Mr. Broseman said he thought it was the duty of the city's officers and the water front attorneys to go to Sacramento and see that the matter was set properly before the Legislature.

Mr. Broseman said that he did not think there was a man in the Council who knew what the bill meant. He certainly did not. As Mr. Henneberry said, he thought the legislators ought to be without dictation from the Council. Mr. Henneberry had also said that Mr. Leavitt was competent and the speaker believed that that was the case.  
Mr. Pringle asked why the Democrats had not put up a stronger man for the position.  
Mr. Broseman retorted that Mr. Girard did not know what he was talking about when he said that the Democrats did not put up a good man. Mr. Girard said that he did not say a "good man."

Mr. Broseman repeated the statement that Mr. Girard did not know what he was talking about when he said that a good man had not been put up. From recent events it could be seen who had the sack which the Democrats did not have.  
Mr. Cuvellier said that he felt as if Broseman did that the attorneys ought to go to the legislators. He would be in favor of voting in favor of sending a copy of the resolution to the members. But he did not want to put himself on record as opposing the Harbor Commission for this city.  
Mr. Rowe said he thought Mr. Broseman had hit the nail on the head when he suggested that the attorneys should go to Sacramento and explain the bill to the Legislature.  
Mr. Cuvellier then seconded Mr. Pringle's motion for the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Broseman said that he wanted to be excused from voting. He knew Senator Leavitt and he knew Mr. Kelley, and he knew they were reliable and would act intelligently in the case. There was no use in the Council passing the resolution. The attorneys should go up to Sacramento and go before the delegation.



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There was no objection to Mr. Broseman's request to be excused from voting.  
A motion was then made to strike out the protest, but it was lost by the following vote:  
Ayes—Cuvellier, Earl, Girard, Watkinson, Helmann, 5.  
Nays—Henneberry, Pringle, Rowe, Upton, Woodward—5.  
Excused—Broseman—1.  
The resolution was then adopted as read, Earl and Henneberry voting in the negative, Mr. Broseman being excused.

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